MINUTES:

PLACE OF MEETING:

DATES AND TIMES:

Thursday, January 7, 1999
9:00 A.M.

Friday, January 8, 1999
8:30 A.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT

GE Medical Systems
Merge Technologies, Inc.

Konica Medical Corporation
Eastman Kodak Company
Siemens Medical Systems
Picker International
Philips Medical Systems
InfiMed, Inc.

OTHERS PRESENT

Microboards Technology
Panasonic
Mitsui Advanced Media
Siemens
Toshiba
Pioneer
Heart Lab.
NEMA Staff

WG 5 (Exchange Media),
DICOM Standards Comte.
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PRESIDING OFFICER: DAVID CLUNIE, CHAIRMAN

LACK OF QUORUM

Since a quorum was not present, it was decided to proceed with the agenda with the understanding that any actions taken are subject to the approval of Working Group 5 either by letter ballot or at the next meeting of Working Group 5.

1. APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

The minutes from the September 23, 1998 meeting of WG 5 were reviewed. Also, the October 15, 1998 Teleconference was reviewed. The minutes will be approved at the next meeting of WG 5 when a quorum is present.

2. DRAFT SUPPLEMENT 40 - UDF MEDIA

Members reviewed and commented on Draft Supplement 40 - UDF Media Version 08, December 30, 1998. A number of editorial changes were made including the deletion of certain sentences and paragraphs. It was agreed to put the Criteria for Choice of a Physical Medium before the Strategies Section. Under Criteria it was agreed to move Ubiquitous Readability up to number 2 in the order of priority and to delete Easily Duplicated.

Under Strategies at the end was added:

Neither the viability of a single medium or multiread strategy is available today but is expected to become apparent by mid-1999. Two likely outcomes (and preconditions) would be:

a) Drives and media that can write DVD-R incrementally and also read DVD-R and CD-R would become available from multiple sources at a reasonable cost, thus satisfying the compatibility and ubiquitous readability criteria, and allowing the choice of a single medium to maximize interoperability.

b) The majority of mass produced DVD-ROM have the ability to read not only DVD-R and CD-R, but also DVD-RW (or DVD-RAM), thus allowing a "multiread" strategy in which an FSC can create either DVD-R or DVD-RW (or DVD-RAM), an FSU can update either DVD-R or DVD-RW (or DVD-RAM), and an FSR can create either DVD-R and DVD-RW (or DVD-RAM).
The Media Comparison Table was made clearer and certain Selection Criteria deleted which included Ubiquitous Readability, Backward Compatibility, Security, and Easy Duplicated.

All open issues were deleted except two;

a) UDF version to use - current preference is “most recent” i.e. currently 2.0.

b) What profile strategy? - generic vs. multi-read vs. media choice - current preference is for single choice. The target for this decision is mid 1999.

In developing this strategy it was assumed that drives will become available, there will be more than one source of drives and that DVD-R is compatible in CD-R drives. The draft when it is sent for public review should go to OSTA, DVD Forum, and DVD compatibility alliance.

3. AGENDA FOR NEXT MEETING

a) Review comments
b) Review media industry announcements
c) Discuss media strategy
d) Review incremental write strategy
e) Determine UDF revision level

4. TIME AND PLACE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meetings of WG 5 is planned to be held at NEMA Headquarters in Rosslyn, Virginia, April 26, 1999, 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. and April 27, 1999, 8:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

5. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 p.m. on Thursday after a recess for lunch from 12:10 p.m. to 1:20 p.m. and at 12:35 p.m. on Friday.

Reported by:
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Secretary DICOM Stds. Comte. WG 5
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